

# 13 year-old girl gets nose job to escape bullying taunts; Long Island teen tormented on Facebook

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When a teen girl couldn't deal with being bullied anymore, she sought a doctor's help - a plastic surgeon.

Nicolette Taylor, a 13 year-old former child catalog model from Long Island, broke her nose twice as a child, which left her "crooked bump," reported ABC News' [Nightline](#).

Initially, her mother Maria told her she could get a nose job when she was 18. But she had a change of heart when the taunting began.

"They went on Facebook and they started posting, 'Hey big nose,'" said Maria Taylor. "I was like, 'If this is really hurting her like this, then she has to be feeling insecure and horrible about herself."

While Nicolette is the youngest person to get a nose job at her doctor's office, her plastic surgeon told "Nightline" about 25 percent of his rhinoplastys are done on teens mostly due to "bullying."

Since her procedure, Nicolette has made the cheerleading team and feels much more confident about her appearance. The bullying is gone, at least for now.

"You send them to a good school, you'd buy them shoes," said her father Rob Taylor. "You'd get them braces, which we did. It's that kind of thing."

But Nicolette is far from alone.

ABC reported that almost 250,000 teens [had plastic surgery](#) last year, according to the American Association of Plastic Surgeons.

Back in April, a South Dakota mom allowed her [seven year-old](#) to undergo an ear pinning procedure to fix her "cup ears."

"This was a preventative way, so she wouldn't get bullied," Cammy Shaw told "Good Morning America." "Kids are mean. That's just how they are."